

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**

March 24, 2023

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the NORCESS Wastewater System Rehabilitation project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Cumberland County, North Carolina located at 117 Dick Street, Fayetteville, NC. The funding would be used for rehabilitating the system by relocating and replacing the existing electrical equipment, generators, supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) equipment, and system wide inflow and infiltration (I&I) reduction.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the project rehabilitates a small rural sewer system that is in danger of failing, while also using the opportunity to install essential infrastructure critical to the growth area of the county. This project is currently serving 379 residential, 50 commercial, one farm, three industrial, and five flat rate customers. With proposed infrastructure rehabilitation to the current system, and the proposed new 154 residential customers, this funding will provide wastewater treatment service for a total of 592 customers as the base line. This rehabilitation scope of work then will allow for increased capacity, a response to future residential failed septic tanks, and allow for potential residential and economic development projects along the I-95 corridor.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a)(2).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



David Rouzer  
Member of Congress